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RESPONSE TO A NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Honorable Assistant Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D. C. 20231

Attn: Legal Instruments Examiner

Dear Examiner:

Responsive to the Notice of non-compliance dated 10/9/01, it is requested that the following substitute pages of claims be allowed to be entered into the file for examination. No new matter was added. The amendments filed 9/24/01 were simply placed on substitute pages as they should have been for that filing.

Respectfully submitted,

John E. Halamka Attorney of record